

of the American Midwest drew Americans of all backgrounds.

Today, Frankenmuth continues to cherish its rich Bavarian heritage. It is a great testament to all of the people of Frankenmuth and their ancestors that they have been able to maintain their town and continue across all of these years to honor the principles on which it was founded. All of us in Michigan and the region have benefitted from the contribution which Frankenmuth and its citizens have made to the diversity of the American fabric.

Mr. President, I am delighted that I will be in the town of Frankenmuth on German-American Day. If there is one place in the United States which could be said to represent what it means to be a German-American, it is Frankenmuth, MI. In fact, Frankenmuth serves to remind us all of our cultural roots and of the rich mosaic of cultural heritage which we have in America.

I am certain that all of my colleagues in the Senate join me in congratulating the Frankenmuth Historical Museum, the Frankenmuth Chamber of Commerce and all of those whose efforts over the years have contributed to this German-American success story.●

#### WORLD POPULATION AWARENESS WEEK

● Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, one of the greatest problems facing the world is the staggering rate of population growth. Over 90 percent of all new births take place in developing countries, including many in countries that cannot even feed their people. The Earth's population is projected to double and possibly triple in the next century, with staggering implications for the world's food supply, environment, and the political and economic stability of every country.

It is critically important that we recognize that what we do today will determine the kind of world inhabited by our children and grandchildren. World Population Awareness Week will be held from October 22 to October 29. It will focus on implementing the program of action of the International Conference on Population and Development and educating the public about the dangers of unchecked population growth.

At a time when our foreign aid budget is being slashed, I was encouraged by the Senate's recent passage of my amendment to provide up to \$35 million to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The UNFPA is the largest voluntary family planning agency in the world. With programs in 140 countries, it provides family planning information and services to hundreds of millions of people who would otherwise have no access to family planning. By restoring funding for the UNFPA, the Senate has wisely chosen to support international efforts to reduce rates of population growth.

Mr. President, I ask that a proclamation by Gov. Howard Dean of Vermont proclaiming October 22-29 World Population Week, be printed in the RECORD.

The proclamation follows:

Whereas the world's population of 5.7 billion is increasing by nearly 100 million per year, with virtually all of this growth added to the poorest countries and regions; and

Whereas three billion people—the equivalent of the entire world population as recently as 1960—will be reaching their reproductive years within the next generation; and

Whereas the environmental and economic impacts of this growth will almost certainly prevent inhabitants of poorer countries from improving their quality of life, and, at the same time, have deleterious repercussions for the standard of living in more affluent regions; and

Whereas the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt resulted in 180 nations approving a 20-year Program of Action for achieving a more equitable balance between the world's population, environment and resources; and

Whereas World Population Awareness activities this year will focus on implementing the Cairo Conference Program of Action.

Now, therefore, I, Howard Dean, Governor, do hereby proclaim the week of October 22-29, 1995 as World Population Awareness Week.●

#### RECOGNITION OF MS. EMELIE EAST

● Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, I would just like to take a minute to recognize Ms. Emelie East of our Appropriations Committee staff. Ms. East serves on the minority staff where she is responsible for assisting with four of our subcommittees, including the Commerce, Justice, and State Subcommittee.

Emelie joined the committee this spring when we stole her from Congressman NORM DICKS. Emelie is a native of Seattle, WA, and a graduate of Trinity College in Connecticut.

She has done an outstanding job in staffing this bill. Ms. East is a true professional. I can tell you that she is top rate. She is a credit to this committee and this institution.

On behalf of myself and the subcommittee, I wish to recognize her for a job well done.●

#### FULBRIGHT PROGRAM IS A WISE INVESTMENT

● Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, I rise today to voice my support for the Fulbright Program. This worthwhile program was established in 1946 by a great Arkansan, the late Senator J. William Fulbright. I was a great admirer of Senator Fulbright throughout his public and private life. He made significant contributions to my State, to our Nation, and to the world. The educational exchange program that bears his name is just one of many outstanding contributions to education and to world peace that Senator Fulbright made during his 30 years in the Senate.

The Fulbright Program promotes understanding between the United States

and other countries. It is the largest, best-known and most prestigious educational exchange program in the world.

Mr. President, this program is a valuable addition to our foreign policy. It would be contrary to our national interests to make significant cuts to this program at this time. It is as relevant today as when it was founded. Over 200,000 students have participated in the program in some 100 countries over the years. It offers Americans invaluable preparation to succeed in a global economy. This program also provides those from other countries direct exposure to American society and to our political and economic systems. Many Fulbright scholars go on to key positions in Government, business, and education.

The Fulbright program is a cost-effective means of advancing American interests around the world. It involves partnerships between our Nation and other countries. Many of these countries make substantial financial contributions to the Fulbright Program. In addition, a portion of the program costs come from private sources.

Mr. President, the Fulbright Program has enjoyed bipartisan support from Presidents and Congress throughout its history. This program helps maintain American leadership throughout the world. It merits our continued support.●

#### U.S.S. "CHANDELEUR"

● Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, fifty years ago, the ship's company of the Navy seaplane tender U.S.S. *Chandeleur*, AV-10, together with the aviators of the ship's squadrons, proudly participated in the acceptance of the surrender of the Japanese military forces in Honshu, the central island of Japan, at ceremonies in the harbor of Ominato, the final end of the global warfare of World War II.

They had earned this honor by 3 full years of combat and hard work in service to the U.S. fleet, materially contributing to the victory in the Pacific.

The U.S.S. *Chandeleur* was built in South San Francisco and commissioned in San Francisco on November 19, 1942. It sailed immediately for combat operations in the Pacific, not to return to the Golden Gate until November 1945.

During that period, she served as an advanced mobile operating base for several squadrons of seaplanes engaged in bombing, reconnaissance, patrol, search and rescue, and other vital services, extending the "eyes" of the fleet commander far beyond the horizons. The aircraft would not have been able to sustain continual operations without her support. The U.S.S. *Chandeleur* was truly a part of the victory in the Pacific.